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Applicant: Masanobu NISHIMINE et al. Conf.: 9766

Appl. No.: 10/000,340 Group: 1754

Filed: December 4, 2001 Examiner: N. Nguyen

For: PARTICULATE SILICA AND ITS PREPARATION

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 P.O. Box 1450  
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February 16, 2005

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In reply to the Office Action dated November 16, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes amendments to the claims and remarks.